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From Tony Benn MP
15 June 1992.

Dear Salem,

Many thanks for your letter.

I agree with you, and will do whatever I can to help.

Best wishes

Tony

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Mr Tony Benn, MP
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Dear Mr Benn,

Now that Iraq is fully complying with all the UN resolutions passed concerning the Gulf war, many feel that it is time for the sanctions to be lifted in order to bring some relief to the suffering of the ordinary Iraqi people.

Many innocents - babies, children and old people especially - the most vulnerable of any population, have died as a result of the after effects of the war, the lack of adequate food, medicines and infrastructure to purify water, sanitation, etc. Figures are not easy to come by but all the aid organisations which have visited Iraq post-war testify to tragic suffering throughout the country on a horrendous scale. In the name of humanity,it is surely a crime to allow this situation to continue nearly one and a half years after the cessation of hostilities.

We remember well the courageous stand you took during the Gulf war and appeal to you now to use all your influence to lobby for the lifting of sanctions in an effort to alleviate the unnecessary further suffering of the innocent Iraqi people.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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